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February 20, 2009

To: Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman
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Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

From: William T Fujioka
Chief Executive Officer

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RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM: INITIAL RESPONSE TO JANUARY 13, 2009 BOARD DIRECTION

On January 13, 2009, on motion of Chairman Knabe, as amended by Supervisors Ridley-Thomas and Yaroslavsky, your Board adopted an integrated series of actions directing the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), working in collaboration with the County's Energy and Environmental Policy Team and all appropriate County departments, to outline an action plan for the development of a Comprehensive Renewable Energy Program. The Board's action also outlined technical, organizational and fiscal analytical steps to be included in the action plan to ensure that all appropriate components are included in the Renewable Energy Program. The action plan was requested by January 31, 2009; the CEO issued a memo February 4, 2009 requesting an extension to February 20, 2009.

The CEO, working with the Energy and Environmental Policy Team, augmented with representatives of the Assessor, Auditor-Controller, County Counsel, and Treasurer-Tax Collector has prepared the attached outline of an action plan for the development of a Comprehensive Renewable Energy Program benefiting both County operations and County constituents (Attachment I). As noted in Attachment I, lead and support departments have been designated for each of the six action element teams, and the initial issues and tasks to be undertaken by each team have been determined. At the present time, each team is conducting scoping meetings to more fully develop the issues and tasks as well as a timeline for development of the team's element of the Renewable Energy Program. Each team is also to identify appropriate outreach strategies to engage community residents, and other interested stakeholders.

As described above, the CEO, with input from the Energy and Environmental Policy Team, will assume the following responsibilities:

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- Assess how the Renewable Energy Program, and other energy and environmental programs, may be best organizationally located within the County to ensure maximum involvement by, and inclusion in the daily actions of, all departments;
- Provide direction to and ensure the integration of the work of the teams as appropriate;
- Ensure that the work of the teams includes reliable information analyzing the cost and feasibility of the both County and constituent focused initiatives;
- Consider how the provisions and funding included in the Federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act may be utilized to advance the County's Renewable Energy Program; and
- Ensure that implementing the Renewable Energy Program for consideration by the Board is coordinated with an integrated energy/environmental legislative strategy for the inclusion of any new action items in the County's State and federal legislative agendas.

The CEO and Internal Services Department, as the Chair of the County Energy & Environmental Policy Team, are also developing a more global Countywide Climate Change Program. This program will incorporate the current efforts of a variety of County programs, including the Renewable Energy Program, and will include future action items that will enable the County to enhance the health of the Los Angeles environment. In keeping with your Board's direction, it is anticipated that the Countywide Climate Change Program will be presented to your Board by April 1, 2009, along with the next status report on the Renewable Energy Program. This proposed program will be consistent in scope with Climate Action Network Best Practices Framework as jointly adopted by the California League of Cities and the California State Association of Counties. The Countywide Climate Change Program will include proposals on how all of the County's energy and environmental efforts will be centrally assessed, developed, implemented and administered.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Deputy Chief Executive Officer Ellen Sandt at esandt@ceo.lacounty.gov or 213-974-1186.

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Attachments

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
 County Counsel
 Assessor
 Auditor-Controller
 Treasurer-Tax Collector
 Chief Information Officer
 Director, Internal Services Department
 Director, Public Works Department
 Acting Director, Regional Planning Department

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Policy Elements	Tasks/Issues	Lead Dept(s)	Support Dept(s)	Next Steps	Due Date	Status
V. Other County Operations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish goal(s) and strategies 2. Identify other areas of applicability 3. Establish policy team 4. Renewable Fuels 5. Other renewable energy programs (e.g. landfill gas-to-energy) 	CEO (Operations)	ISD, CEO Cap Projects, DRP, DPW (EPD)	Committee Meeting Develop policy language Recommendations		
VI. Projects for Constituents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AB 811 - Develop Board Response to Constituents <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Gather information about programs by other local agencies b. Policy Formulation; regional or County unincorporated c. Integrate with CIO/ISD Solar Mapping Project <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review map at www.sf.solarmap.org 2. Establish Countywide portal 3. Support/promote AB 811 study 2. Analyze merger of AB 811 with Building Energy Performance Programs <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Existing homes (Board Motion), existing State program b. Existing commercial buildings - AB 1103 signed into law 3. Integrate with Green Building Ordinance 4. Explore Building Energy Benchmark/Rating Program Commercial Buildings, AB 1103 	CEO (CMS)	A-C, DPW, TTC, ISD, CIO Assessor, CDC, CEO (PIO), TTC, DPW, DRP, ISD DRP, DPW, CoCo DRP, DPW, TTC, Assessor	Committee Meeting Develop policy language Recommendations		
** Drivers for County Policy ** Proposition 7 & 10 AB 811 Community Choice Aggregation AB 32 Credits California Solar Initiative - Statewide Incentives Countywide Solar Map Portal Cool Counties and Other Reduction Targets/Goals Legislation/regulation creating solar hedge against rates						
10/27/08 Renewable Policy Meeting Attendees Dorothea Park - CEO (CMS) Burt Kumugawa - CEO (CMS) Lari Sheehan - CEO (CMS) Howard Choy - ISD Ana Davila - ISD Tricia Keane - Co Co Lauren Rank - DRP Mark Herwick - DRP Paul McCarthy - DRP Jody Sackett - DRP Fred Rubin - DPW Jan Takata - CEO (Cap Projects) Peter Burgis - CEO (Cap Projects) Glenn Byers - TTC Susan Linschoten - Auditor-Controller						
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Overall Program Goals and Direction	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish committees and policy element leads (Dept./Individual) 2. Identify funding or other resources 3. Develop schedule - overall program and each element 4. Determine status reporting responsibilities and frequency 5. Determine scope of policy w/ costs, benefits 6. Provide legislative, regulatory assessment of industry 	CEO (Operations and CMS)	ISD, DPW DRP, A-C, TTC, Co Co CEO (IGR)	Develop policy language Recommendations		
I. Large Renewable Projects Requiring County Review/Approval	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop consistent approach for working with developers 2. Evaluate potential for use of County-owned lands 3. Develop policy for federal/State issues 4. Expedited licensing, permitting, and/or other incentives 5. Transmission line projects? 6. Investigate Public/Private Partnerships 	DPW	Co Co, ISD DRP	Committee Meeting Develop policy language Recommendations		
II. Large Renewable Projects on County-owned Land	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evaluate potential for use of County-owned lands 2. Evaluate policy issues, develop criteria 3. Identify favorable sites 4. Develop strategies (soliciting interest, lease/sell, partnerships, etc.) 5. Investigate Public/Private Partnerships 	CEO (Cap Projects)	DPW, DRP ISD	Committee Meeting Utilize Solar Map Project to assess County Properties		
III. Community Choice Aggregation (local government becomes energy retailer)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evaluate costs/benefits 2. Complete feasibility study 3. SD 3 Intern Report 	ISD	CEO (CMS) Co Co (Aiello-Energy)	Committee Meeting Develop policy language Develop recommendations		
IV. Renewables in County Facilities New Construction Existing Buildings	<p>New and Existing Buildings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish goal(s) and strategies 2. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Standard 3. Capital Projects Program for leased space 4. Capital Projects Program to consolidate operations 5. Assess Renewable Options 6. Discuss new legislative/regulatory opportunities 7. Establish feasibility study 	CEO (Cap Projects)	DPW, DRP CoCo (Aiello-Energy) ISD	Committee Meeting Develop policy language Recommendations		